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26           IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
27           FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
28           WESTERN DIVISION

29           **DONALD LEO MELLEIN,**

30           Plaintiff,

31           v.

32           **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA;  
33           Federal Bureau of Investigation  
34           Special Agent LYNNE ZELLHART,  
35           in her individual capacity; and DOES  
36           1 through 5, Federal Bureau of  
37           Investigation agents in their  
38           individual capacities,**

39           Defendants.

40           Case No. 2:23-cv-07970

41           **NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF  
42           OTHER ACTIONS OR  
43           PROCEEDINGS**

1 Plaintiff Donald Leo Mellein, hereby provides notice of pendency pursuant  
2 to Local Rule 83-1.4.1.

3 The above-captioned action involves part of the subject matter of the  
4 following pending action:

- 5 a) Description: *Snitko et al. v. United States et al.*, No. 22-56050  
6 b) Court: United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit  
7 c) Parties:

8 Plaintiffs-Appellants

9 Paul Snitko  
10 Jennifer Snitko  
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13 Jeni Verdon-Pearsons  
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15 Travis May

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15          e)       Factual Statement: Both this lawsuit and *Snitko v. United States*  
16          originated with the government's March 22, 2021, raid of U.S. Private Vaults  
17          (USPV), a private safe-deposit box company that operated in Beverly Hills,  
18          California. *Snitko* is a class-action lawsuit about whether the Fourth Amendment  
19          permitted the government to open and search the safe-deposit boxes. This case  
20          centers on obtaining a remedy for the individual Plaintiff, who stored personal  
21          property in his safe-deposit box at USPV that was lost after the government took  
22          custody of it during the raid. The cases therefore involve different legal theories and  
23          different forms of relief, and they challenge different aspects of the government's  
24          USPV raid. The two cases will nevertheless involve some factual overlap regarding  
25          the execution of the raid and the conduct of the ensuing searches.

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2 Respectfully Submitted,

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